GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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RECOVERY OF AMOUNT FROM VARIOUS POLITICAL PARTIES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have to recover a lot of amount from various political parties and others for running special trains for them and on their request to carry persons joining their rallies at various places;

(b) if so, the uptodate details thereof, indicating the names of parties/persons, the amount outstanding against each of them and since when outstanding; and

(c) the efforts made by the Railways to recover the outstanding amount?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (c): Two special trains were run from Barddhaman to Bolepur on 12.12.1981 on demand placed by the General Secretary, West Bengal Pradesh Congress Committee (WBPCC). An amount of Rs. 1,13,316 is outstanding against WBPCC. Though matter has been taken up with WBPCC regularly over the years, the said amount remains outstanding for want of payment by the party.